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Japanese Patent Publication No. 08-84160 is in the same family as U.S. Patent 5,612,810.

Japanese Patent Publication No. 10-163828 is in the same family as U.S. Patent 6,151,150.

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